



Rainforest Safe™ Pledge

Wood — for Companies & Institutions

Sparing Earth's Rainforests from Destruction

As citizens of our planet Earth, we are highly concerned about the loss of the world's species and rainforests.

Rainforests are the most biologically rich ecosystems on Earth. It is estimated that 50 to 90% of the spectacular array of biological organisms — estimated to be between 10 and 30 million unique species — are supported by the world's rainforests.

Earth's rainforests are being depleted at an alarming rate. Estimates put this rate at *one and a half acres lost* worldwide each and every second. This destruction is the greatest factor driving an estimated 50 to 400 species to extinction *every day*.

We recognize that logging for timber plays a major role in the loss of rainforests. In Southeast Asia, logging has been the single largest cause of deforestation. In South America and western Africa, logging damages the forest, and roads built for logging provide access leading to destructive forest conversion for slash and burn farming, agricultural plantations, rangeland, and urban settlements.

As a business, we are concerned about the use of wood from rainforests. Therefore, we do hereby declare that _____ will avoid using or purchasing all tropical hardwoods* and old-growth temperate rainforest woods* in future construction, furnishings and sales; will consult with Rainforest Relief before major purchases of wood or wood products to assure they were not unsustainably taken from rainforests; and will make every effort to use ecologically sound alternatives to rainforest wood and wood products, including recycled and salvage materials, and non-wood alternatives.

*Excepting reclaimed, antique or certified second growth.



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